

Egremont News

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The purpose of this newsletter is to keep residents informed of what is going on in their community. It is printed on a bimonthly basis by the Selectmen's Office Staff. Articles submitted by Town Boards are not edited by the Select Board or Office Administrator. Outside organizations are allowed to submit articles of no longer than one column length. These articles are to be factual and will not be printed if they contain any political format, forum, or communication. We welcome reader input and hope you enjoy reading the Newsletter.

EGREMONT ON PARADE: Sunday, July 24, 2011 French Park, North Egremont, 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM

We would like to be able to cut down on expenses of printing this newsletter if possible. If you are able to get the newsletter electronically please let us know.

Board of Selectmen:

The Board thanks Bruce Cumsky for his years of service to the Town, first as a Water Commissioner, and most recently as a Board of Selectmen member and the Town's representative to both the WiredWest and Mass Broadband organizations.

The Board welcomes Charlie Flynn to the Board of Selectmen for at least the next three years.

The Board voted Bruce Turner as Chairman, and Richard Burdsall as Vice-Chairman.

There is a vacancy on the Conservation Commission. If you are interested please contact Town Hall.

The Board is forming a Water Department Study Committee to review the finances and operation of the Water Department. The Board seeks two citizens - one a water user and one a non-water user to - to serve on this Committee. If you have an interest please contact Town Hall.

Internet service:

It has been brought to the town's attention that some residents, particularly those near the New York boarder, may be able to get Verizon wireless internet service. For more information go to the Verizon Wireless internet site and click on coverage locator, or contact the Verizon store in Pittsfield.

Recycling:

Aerosol cans are now recyclable. They must be empty with lids removed. Included are all empty

health and beauty products, food products, and air fresheners. No aerosol cans that contained hazardous materials, such as spray paint, pesticides, cleaning products, craft products, adhesives, automotive sprays, WD-40, etc.

Clear plastic clamshell containers are also recyclable again. They must be empty and rinsed. These are the clear plastic hinged containers that hold groceries such as berries, lettuce, tomatoes, deli and bakery foods. Do not include black containers, styrofoam or compostable materials.

Bottles and containers can now be recycled with lids on if the caps and lids are made of plastic or metal, and must be on bottles and containers that are recyclable. You can flatten an item before putting the cap/lid back on.

Please see the attached dates for upcoming Household Hazardous Waste Collection dates.

Egremont Board of Assessors: REMINDERS and DUE DATES:

September 30: The deadline for submitting applications for Real Estate, Statutory Tax Exemptions and Tax Abatements due to the use of property as Chapter 61 (Forest), 61A (Agricultural) and 61B (Recreational).

September 30: The deadline for submitting applications for property owners qualifying as Senior, Veteran or their surviving spouse or minor, and the Blind and accompanying documentation.

If you have any questions please contact the Assessors' office at 528-0182, Ext. 14. Our Town Hall office hours are Tuesday and Thursday (9:00 AM to 12:00.) Or email us at egremontassessors@yahoo.com.

The charge for Abutters Lists that are prepared by the Assessors Office will be \$1.00 per parcel reported.

Changes of Mailing Address: The Egremont Assessors have a new form for your use. To officially change your address please request a Change of Address Form from the Assessors Office or they are available in the Town Office. As we need official documentation, in the future when a request for address change is received in any other format, we will require a Change of Address Form.

Historical Commission:

The Egremont Historical Commission (EHC) invites all Egremont residents to visit its new web site at www.egremonthistory.org. With a grant from the Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area (UHVNHA), EHC spent the last year gathering historic information, digitizing important town documents, maps, and resource information, and scanning its many historic photos and postcards. Egremont's history is now accessible 24/7 in a way it has never been before. On the site you will find a newly-informed and researched history of Egremont, profiles on historic citizens, a photo gallery and searchable database of the assets located in our local history museum and archives room (on the second floor of the Academy building). It also includes downloadable history tours of downtown South Egremont and, coming soon, North Egremont . We invite you to visit our new Town site, look around, and help inform it with your memories and life story. If you were born and raised or grew up in Egremont, tell us your story. Go to the web site and click on the "Tell Your Story" button to download a questionnaire and share your memories and photos of Egremont with other citizens and interested guests. Submitted information will be made available online and will be used to create a scrapbook that will be on display in the Archives Room. Please contact anyone at EHC if you would like further information about this, or if you would like a questionnaire mailed to you. We would be glad to do whatever we can to get your valuable historical information and photos included in our town's archives.

A NEW BOOK ABOUT NORTH EGREMONT

Local historian and published author Gary
Leveille has just published "The Eye of Shawenon:
A Berkshire History of North Egremont, Prospect
Lake and the Green River Valley." From pioneers
and explorers to soldiers and statesmen, authors and
artists to eccentrics and rogues, inventors and

engineers to farmers and shopkeepers, North Egremont and the Green River valley offer an abundance of fascinating characters. The book offers an eclectic collection of historical sketches about the fascinating subjects he has discovered. EHC looks forward to hosting a book signing for Gary this summer so interested residents can learn more about the events and people of North Egremont, Prospect Lake, and the Green River Valley, and how they have changed the course of history. Check egremonthistory.org for date, time, and location.

And, as always, EHC looks forward to welcoming you to the Egremont Local History Museum and Archives Room on the first Saturday of the month. We also look forward to seeing you at Egremont on Parade. Interested in getting involved with the work of preserving our town's history? Call EHC Chair Maxine Lome at 413-528-1827 to learn more.

ECO-TIP#1

Myth: Using premium fuel improves fuel economy. You might as well write a check to the oil company. Use premium only if your car specifies it. (www.thedailygreen.com/)

French Park:

French Park is at the height of its season now with the warmer weather and all of its outdoor facilities. There have been many private functions already this year as well as ball games, horse shows and school events. The dog park still remains a popular gathering spot for dogs and their owners.

The new playground equipment has been a very popular area, thank you to The French Park Fund for organizing and raising money. The town has taken down many trees around the basketball court to make it more accessible.

Trail clearing and maintaining are still underway. The 'Greenagers' a not for profit organization, has volunteered their time to identify invasive plant species and clearing them to help maintain the parks integrity. The Greenagers will be working on the trails in July and are planning to build a bridge across the creek for foot traffic. The Greenagers will also mark the trails, blaze them and make a map for hikers to use. The Mount Everett Envirothon Team has helped the Greenagers in their efforts in the park. The Envirothon team has been studying the park's natural resources which include vernal pools, wetlands and habitat in these areas. The team has won a 2011

Community Research Award from the State for their efforts and was recognized at the May 12 competition which took place at UMASS Amherst. Two of the members of the Envirothon team are Egremont residence; Willa Brown and Miranda Hosier, congratulations!

We are looking for more members for the French Park Committee and for some one who would like to work with a knowledgeable grant writer to help raise money for the park.

We hope every one has a chance to enjoy the park this summer. A happy and healthy summer to all and their families.

Egremont Water Department:

We have some very good news to report concerning system leaks. Recently, a Main Street South Egremont customer discovered a leak from her service line, which was quickly repaired. Water outflows from the plant decreased by 17,000 gallons per day. The next leak, even larger, was discovered along Mount Washington Road just beyond a bridge where a catastrophic leak occurred in December of 2009. This leak, after repair, decreased our daily outflows tremendously. Our outflow numbers went from about 98,000 gallons per day before these leaks were discovered, to 48 - 50,000 gallons per day after they were repaired. Finding and repairing these leaks benefits us as we are losing much less treated water. Unfortunately, this has very little effect on our operating costs.

Due to increasing revenue deficits and increasing amounts of town subsidies, the Water Commissioners have voted to raise water rates effective with the June reading/billing cycle. The last increase was put in place in August of 2009, but we didn't feel we could forestall another modest increase any longer.

We intend to replace more old distribution pipe leading to Pine Crest Hill from this year's budget. By doing so, we will eliminate leaks we know exist along that line. We also intend to replace the service line to the Egremont Free Library. In the new fiscal year we plan to replace more old system pipe in the Berkshire Greens development.

We repeat our pledge to supply the cleanest, best-tasting water in the area with the fewest service interruptions possible, and we appreciate your continued support.

Senior Wellness Series at Fairview Hospital:

A four-part Senior Wellness Series will be cosponsored by Elder Services of Berkshire County and Fairview Hospital on four Wednesdays this summer. The free programs are offered to provide education and resources to seniors and their families as well as people who are planning for their senior years. The first program, *Caregiving*, will be offered on Wednesday, July 6. The program will address all aspects of caregiving for seniors.

On Wednesday, July 6, the program will be *A Forum for Caregivers* presented by Bea Cowlin. Caregiver Liaison, Elder Services of Berkshire County, will lead a discussion for caregivers in our community.

On Wednesday, July 13, SHINE Program Director, Margi Ware will offer "What You Need to Know About Medicare" a program designed to explain Medicare, new rules and how to access benefits.

On Wednesday, July 20 "Community Resources for Seniors," a round-table forum will be offered including Great Barrington Council on Aging Director, Rebecca Tillinghast, Sheffield Council on Aging Director, John-Arthur Miller, and Roger Suters, Director of Community Services for Elder Services of Berkshire County.

The final program is scheduled for Wednesday, August 3. "*There's No Place Like Home*" will be offered by Amy Muldowny, Client Services Supervisor for Elder Services of Berkshire County.

All programs begin at 1:00 p.m. and take place in the Ground Floor Conference Room at Fairview Hospital, 29 Lewis Avenue, in Great Barrington. Please call (413) 854-9609 for information or to register.

ECO-TIP #2

Stop unwanted catalogs: As soon as one arrives, call the 800 ordering number and request that you be removed from their mailing list. They are happy to do it!

Egremont-On-Parade:

The fourth annual Egremont-On-Parade will be held on Sunday, July 24th from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in French Park.

The Egremont-On-Parade Committee has been working hard to make this the best event yet? You can look forward to fun activities for the whole family:

Petting Zoo, Pony Rides by Blue Rider Stables, Face Painting, Rock Climbing Wall and a visit by David Grover and Roger the Jester for the kids.

- Aerial Lifts donated by Haupt Tree Company, Tennis Clinics given by Wyantenuck Country Club (bring your sneakers and racket if you have one) for kids all ages!
- Drumming Performance and Workshop by Berkshire Bateria
- Vintage & Antique Cars
- Raffle & Silent Auction
- Local Artisans and Crafter's Exhibits
- Noon to 2 p.m. and giving away a minimum of 4 keys to their summer giveaway "The Summer of Suziki" where on lucky listener will win a brand new 2011 Suzuki Kizashi Luxury Sedan!

And, of course, lots of yummy food from our now famous "The Taste of Egremont" Food tent and a barbeque lunch put on by our own Egremont Fire Department.

We are still looking for volunteers to help us out at the event. If you are interest please call Carol Robins at (413) 528-0736 or Ellen Shaby at (413) 528-1123.

Looking forward to seeing you all on July 24th from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at French Park! Please not pets or coolers. Thank you.

The Egremont Library Does not Need Your Books!

You all know the size of our library and the need for more space. Well, we have no room for donations.....Take your old books to a nursing home, another larger library or elsewhere. We have brought our library up to date and would like to keep it that way with up to date reading materials.

What better time then the summer to read a good book on a hot day when you can't do anything else. Come to the Egremont Library and find the best.

Green Committee:



Austin Mooney (Sears), Laura Biddulph (CET), Juliette Haas (Green Com.), Bonnie Nordoff (prize winner), Nancy Nylen (CET), Simeon Bittman (CET)

The Green Committee wrapped up their six month home energy assessment campaign on June 7th at a Board of Selectmen's meeting when the winner of the \$500 EnergyStar appliance was announced. Congratulations to winner Bonnie Nordoff. Our heartfelt thanks to Great Barrington Hometown Sears Store owner and Egremont resident Austin Mooney for assisting us with the drawing prize and a special shout-out to the kind folks at CET.

Close to 65 Egremont residents called MassSave to have an energy assessment performed on their homes. Here's what just a few of them had to say about their home energy assessment experience: Dave J.: "The process is very efficient. We're getting \$1200 worth of insulation for \$150. I was also given suggestions for things I can do around the house that I can get at my local hardware store and do myself." Ada J.: "I really learned a lot. The experience was very worthwhile."

Although the Green Committee's special promotion may be over it's never too late to have a home energy assessment performed on your home. It's available at no cost and all you have to do is call **1 (866) 527-7283**. Call today!

Zero-Waste Event

For the third year, Sarah Slessenger is hosting her graduate students in a summer writing intensive. Twenty young people from around the world, now at NYU's graduate program under Sarah's guidance, will spend a week writing and rehearsing their craft, the art of the musical. A free performance will be given this year at the Daniel Arts Center on Sunday, June 26 at 2pm. The Green Committee has offered to make their Friday night bbq a zero waste event with the donation of plates, cups and flatware that is all compostable. All of

which is available for your next bbq or family event at a pass through cost comparable to general retail prices. Please call Juliette at town hall (528-0182 x 22) for more info.

Board of Health:

If summer is your favorite time of the year in the Berkshires be sure to protect yourself against some of our more prevalent health concerns: Lyme Disease and sun exposure.

Lyme Disease: Ask anyone who's had it — it's no picnic. The symptoms can range from mild to extreme and in some of the extreme cases long-term health effects can occur. While there is a treatment and cure for Lyme Disease the best approach is to start from the beginning and work towards preventing its onset. That means before you go out into the woods or in your garden apply a strong insect repellent that contains DEET to keep the disease carrying ticks at bay. When you get home from an outdoor excursion do a thorough "tick check" to make sure those unwanted pests are not using you as a host.

Sun Exposure: Due to the growing number of nationwide cases of skin cancers the FDA will soon be issuing new guidelines on sunscreen products to help people understand the potential dangers of sun exposure and the importance of sun protection. Again, prevention is key. When you know you are going to be spending time outdoors apply a sunscreen with a minimum SPF of 30. Apply liberally and reapply often especially after swimming or heavy exercise. Avoid mid-day sun and wear protective clothing like a hat (which also protects your eyes from UV damage) and long sleeves and pants.

May your summer be a happy and *healthy* one.

Planning Board:

The Planning Board welcomes new member Mark Holmes, who was elected in May for a one year term. We also welcome back Helen Krancer, who was reelected for a five year term. And the board extends deepest thanks to Bernhard Haeckel for his service during the past year; Bernhard did not seek election this spring.

The special permit granted to Mariner Tower II, LLC, for a telecommunications tower on Catamount is now finalized, as all appeal periods

have passed without any appeal being filed. With this recent approval of the Mariner Tower application, the site originally recommended by the Planning Board and designated by the town in 1998 for such a tower is expected to soon be providing cell service to much of South Egremont. The Planning Board is pleased to have conducted the comprehensive review process to bring cell service to Egremont in a safe and environmentally-sensitive way.

The board will now return to work begun several years ago to consider dividing Egremont into zoning districts for the villages and rural areas. Currently the same zoning regulations apply generally throughout town, even though there is a very different character to the denser village areas and more-sparsely developed rural areas.

The goal of establishing village districts would be to assure that future growth reinforces the character that presently exists in the village areas. New regulations for the village areas could be made more consistent with the lot sizes, other land dimensions, and uses that presently exist, so that any new growth will complement the existing character of the villages, and changes in use will be easier under state law and the bylaw.

Likewise, in the rural areas the goals would be to reflect current character and allow future growth in a way that fulfills the expectations of Egremont's residents. Many residents may not realize that our bylaw currently allows special permits to be granted anywhere in town for multifamily residential uses and commercial uses, without any guidelines or limitations to give property owners an expectation of what might be located in their neighborhood or even on the abutting property. A goal of the board's new work will be to provide the opportunity for residents to be more specific about how they would like the character of Egremont's rural areas to develop.

The Planning Board recently began discussion of these ideas with consultant planners from the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission, who will be working with the board under a Technical Assistance Grant from the state.

Treasurer\Collector

PLEASE NOTE:

FY 2012 - Real Estate & Personal Property Tax bills mailed June 30, 2011 are due August 1 and November 1, 2011.

NOTICE: FY2011 tax bills not paid by June

30, 2011 may be subject to tax lien.

Motor Vehicle Excise - Interim bills are being mailed periodically as the bill information is received from the Registry of Motor Vehicles. Interim bills are generated when a new or used vehicle is purchased and/or registered during the present or prior year. PLEASE NOTE: If you have disposed of a vehicle, please remember, it is the taxpayers responsibility to file an abatement. Do not ignore the tax bill as it stays on the books until it is paid or abated. Again, we only have the information provided to us from the Registry of Motor Vehicles which comes from the vehicle owner. If you have received a notice from the Deputy Collector please call his office to clear your obligation.

On Line Banking - UNIPAY on line banking is a great tool for last minute payments of any bill owed to the town. Go to the Town of Egremont web site www.egremont-ma.gov/ and click on pay your bills on line. Follow the instructions from that point. You will be able to use ACH or a credit card. Thank you to all who are using the online product. It is working great. Please give it a try.

Note: When making payments through your bank bill pay please remember to use your current tax bill number and check to be sure the remittence address is correct.

Questions/Confusions - I will be glad to address any question that would be of general information to the taxpayers. Submit questions and concerns pertaining to the Tax Collector/Treasurer to Pat, P.O. Box 368 So. Egremont. Office hours - Tax Collector 7-3 Monday through Friday or by appointment.

The DRAFT Egremont 2010 Map is ready!

YOUR help is needed to make it as accurate as possible.

Please be sure to check that your property is correctly depicted – and that the 2010 information on the face of this beautiful map is accurate.

Call Lynn Wood (528-3919 or registryresearch@att.net) or Marj Wexler (528-3726 or mwexler43@gmail.com) with any corrections you think need to be made and with any questions you may have.

This "snapshot" map of Egremont, the first of its kind since similar "snapshot" maps were done of our Berkshire towns in 1904, is now available to look at. You can find it at the Town Hall and at the North and South Post Offices.

There are also three dates for you to choose from to take a quiet look at the map at the North Fire House:

Wednesday afternoon, June 29th, from 2 to 4 Thursday evening, July 7th, from 7 to 9 Wednesday afternoon, July 13th, from 3 to 5 We hope you will be able to find a time to look,

and that you will give us your feedback. Thank you! Marj & Lynn

For Friends of Egremont History, in partnership with the Egremont Land Trust and The Upper Housatonic Valley Heritage Area

Egremont Land Trust:

Next on the schedule of ELT's summer events is the annual history walk: "From Boots to Buggy Axles - 19th Century Industry in South Egremont." Tour leader is Nic Cooper, aka Dr. James Nicoll Cooper, a profession of history at the University of Ottawa for many years and a member of the Egremont Historical Commission. The walk, of about half a mile, begins at 10 AM on Saturday, July 23, and is expected to last an hour. Participants will meet in the Salisbury Bank parking lot on Main Street. Like all ELT educations events, this one is open to the public at no charge. Previous events this summer h ave been a bird walk in Jug End State Reservation and a wildflower walk.

The land trust's Annual Meeting is planned for 11 AM on September 10 (the Saturday after Labor Day.) The program will include treasurer's and membership reports and the election of board members. Afterward, ELT provides lunch for everyone.

The land trust's web site (<u>www.egremontlandtrust.org</u>) provides information about coming events and activities.

ECO-TIP#3

Cool summer cooking: use the microwave, or grill outside. Conventional stove cooking radiates heat to the house's living spaces.

Friends of Prospect Lake (FoPL):

The 2011 Annual Meeting of the Friends of Prospect Lake - will be held at 10 AM, at the North Egremont Firehouse, on Saturday, July 16th.

address a late blooming water plant called tape grass which had become prevalent in the lake. Water samples taken from several locations on the lake earlier this summer indicated minimal contamination from surrounding runoff, and excellent condition of the lake water.



Lycott Environmental team treating Prospect Lake on June 22nd

This year's FoPL Tag Sale was a great success - Held on the lawn at Town Hall on May 28th, our 2011 Tag Sale again helped raise needed funds for lake treatments, and delighted many local shoppers with unique treasures at extremely low prices. Also, we are happy to announce that we have received a second shipment of the newly introduced "Friends of Prospect Lake" baseball hats, which had sold out at the tag sale, and are now available for purchase at the Old Egremont Store.

Come and join us at the lake - Whether it's swimming, boating, fishing, or just having a good time in, on, or around Prospect Lake, don't hesitate to come out often and enjoy this wonderful Egremont resource.

Board meeting schedule:

Those meeting regularly. Subject to change. Please see postings of meetings at Town Hall and the Post Offices for more detail. This is not official.

Archives Room - First Saturday 9-noon and May to October the third Monday 2-4pm or by appointment

Assessors - Tuesdays & Thursday 9am to 12noon &

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Board of Health - Monday- 8am to 1pm, Tuesday 8:30am to 12pm & 12:30 to 2:30pm, Wednesday & Thursday 8am to 1pm. Meetings - Thursdays as posted 9am to 11am

Board of Selectmen - Meetings every other Tuesday evenings 7pm. Office weekdays 7am to 3pm. Building Inspector - Tuesday 12:30pm to 3:30pm. Other times and inspections by appointment Conservation Commission - Second and Fourth Thursdays 7:00pm

Finance Committee - Wednesdays 5:30pm January through April. Other times as needed.

Library - Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 2-6pm & Saturday 9-12noon

Planning Board - Second & Fourth Monday 7:30pm School Committee: Second & Fourth Thursdays 6pm Mt. Everett High School Library

Tax Collector: Monday - Friday 7:00am to 3:00pm Town Clerk - Every other Tuesday evenings 6pm-9pm, Tuesday mornings 9am to 12noon or by appointment

Transfer Station - Tuesday & Thursday 8am to 1pm, Saturday 8am to 3pm, Sunday 12noon to 4pm Water Department - Office weekdays 8am to 2pm Meetings second Thursday 4:30pm at Town Hall Zoning Board of Appeals - as needed To reach a board member or to leave a message please call the Town Hall.

Business listings:

In an effort to promote local small businesses, the following businesses/services located in, or near, Egremont have agreed to be listed here. If we missed asking you and you wish to be included, please send your information to the Town Hall.

The Silo B&B - guest accommodations 413-528-5195

The Inn at Sweet Water Farm - B&B 1 Prospect Lake Road 413-528-2882 www.innsweetwater.com

The Weathervane Inn - Lodging

413/800-528-9580 Baldwin Hill Farm B&B -

121 Baldwin Hill Road N/S 528-4092

www.baldwnhillfarm.com John Andrews' Restaurant - Restaurant 413-528-3469

Swiss Hutte Country Inn and Restaurant-Restaurant & Lodging 413-528-6200 Howard's Antiques - Antique Lighting & Restoration Zorn Core Fitness -Personal, Couples & Group Training 413-528-1232 Cardio Room - \$25 per month Free 1 month www.howardsantiquelighting.com Red Barn Antiques - Antique lighting & fine metal cardio for Egremont residents 46 Main Street, South Egremont polishing 413-528-3230 413-528-1594 Home - Asian Antiques & Interior Objects www.zorncorefitness.com 195 Hillsdale Road (Route 23) zornari@gmail.com 413-528-5383 Yoga at Zorn Core Fitness, with Karin Beebe Ashtanga Yoga & Gentle/Hatha Yoga www.homeasianantiques.com 41 Main Antiques Gallery - Vintage and modern 46 Main Street furniture, antiques, collectibles, architectural 413-528-0828 and decorative objects. kbyoga@gmail.com Cory B. Loder, L.I.C.S.W. - Individual & Couple 413-528-0112 Counseling - Specializing in Dual Diagnosis www.41mainantiques.com Blue Rider Stables - Therapeutic Horseback Riding 9 Miller View 413-528-0393 Lessons, summer programs www.bluerider.org 1-888-528-0393 413-528-5299 Divine Automotive - Automotive repair Green River Arabians & Pintos -413-528-8007 Old Egremont Country Store - groceries, beer, wine, Horse Boarding, lessons, judging. liquor, newspapers, lottery, & much more 413-528-2367 arabpinto 13@yahoo.com Indian Line Farm - Community Supported 413-528-4796 Agriculture (CSA) & Farmers Markets Blueberry Lane Home Design - Interior decorating 413-528-8301 413-528-9633 www.indianlinefarm.com Closet Collection - clothing & household Ivory Pond Farm consignment shop 413-528-6236 Llamas, Yarn and Woolens. Dancing Crane Rug Hooking Studio. Hooked rugs, lessons Berkshire Veneer Company - wholesale/retail and supplies. wood veneer sales Tom & Liz Marino 413-644-9696 413-528-9465 L and L Construction - Home repairs, additions, www.lizmarinorughooking.com new home building Llamama@wildblue.net 413-528-5548 Turner Farms Maple Syrup - Phillips Road, open "Jack of All Trades"-Handyman Services 7am to 7pm 7 days a week. 413-528-5710 Jack Buckley G&S Gventer "Books - Buy & Sell Books 413-528-1982 413-528-2327 413-446-1982 Elfi Six Shiatsu/Acutonics®, Bodywork Catamount Ski Area - Skiing & ropes course 413-644-9979 413-528-1262 www.CosmicResonance.com www.catamountski.com Peter Goldberg, Dipl. Ac - Acupuncture, Pain Anita Schilling - Real Estate Listing & Sales Management 413-528-5055 Barnbrook Realty Zorn Family Chiropractic-Chiropractor 413-528-4423 44 Main Street, South Egremont anitacentury21@aol.com Florence F. Browner Real Estate - Full Service 413-528-9654 www.healingspiritdc@yahoo.com 90 Creamery Road 413-528-3266 flobro@wildblue.net

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Kenver Ltd - Winter Sports Equipment, Apparel & Accessories
39 Main Street
413-528-2330
www.kenverltd.com

Maple Leaf Art Gallery - Joan Mentzinger 154 Hillsdale Road, Route 23

The Agency Without Walls - Helen Krancer
Marketing Consulting and Copywriting That
Get Results. 413-644-9700
helen@agencywithoutwalls.com

Cyber Knight - Matthew Wall
PC repairs - Networking - Internet
413-528-5415
matt@cyber-knight.net

James Olmsted - Outdoor Services & Caretaking Field mowing 413-528-0102 pager 413-261-2150

Berkshire Wildlife Solutions - Resolving conflicts with nature. Eric F. Ives
Mass Problem Animal Control Agent
Consultation/Inspection, Capture, removal and exclusionary work.
413-528-9813 413-250-5094

PAPERCHASERS Barbara Fields - Organizing and Productivity Services, Project and Time Management 413-528-2824 barbara@paperchasers.com

Brookside Quiltworks - Catherine Kane - fabric shop and quilt gallery. 2 Sheffield Road, Egremont

413-528-0445 brooksidequiltworks.com
Berkshire South Regional Community Center
15 Crissey Road, Great Barrington MA
413-528-2810 www.berkshiresouth.org
Non-profit community organization serving
17 towns throughout the Southern
Berkshires. Providing a variety of
educational, recreational and cultural
programs for all ages - from early childhood
to senior citizens - and partners with several
local organizations.

Support local businesses

"All the great things are simple, and many can be expressed in a single word: freedom, justice, honor, duty, mercy, hope." Winston Churchill

A Last Goodbye By Stan Farnum

A-far on the hill where the white clouds rest
Against the deep turned sky
They brought my lovely darling
And there she'll ever lie.

The fields rise up to where she sleeps
From the river far below
And there we played and laughed and ran
And oh I loved her so.

While every flower there we touched And every bird song knew I kissed her lovely laughing lips As we danced in morning dew.

We saw the silken spider web
Agleam in morning sun
And wrote our names in sandy shores
And watched the river run.

We wished upon a falling star And held moonlight there in thrall And listened for the whip-poor-will To give his haunting call

We took the happy song of life From every fleeing day Nor counted how the sum went up To pass the years away.

But fate sits in the shadows And smiles a quiet smile Knowing love and romance Are ours for but a while.

And now for all the rest of time She'll watch the fields below And see the laughing river run While flowers come and go.

So sleep my love till we meet again On the hill where the white stones lie, Alone I stand with a last red rose While the night wind sighs, "Goodbye". 10 Issue 58 July, 2011

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